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Shunpei YAMAZAKI )  
Serial No.: 08/558,544 ) Art Unit: 2508  
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For: DEVICE FOR READING AN )  
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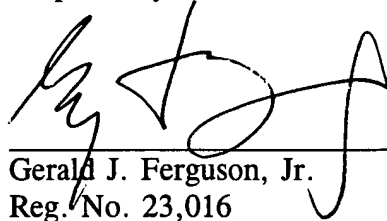
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REQUEST FOR STATUS

Honorable Assistant Commissioner  
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Sir:

To date the undersigned attorney of record has received no action in the above-identified patent application. Please provide the undersigned with a status report of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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ASSIGNED TO GROUP ART UNIT: 2508

ASSIGNED TO EXAMINER W. MINTEL 308-4916

X\_ NEW CASE, AWAITING FIRST ACTION BY EXAMINER

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